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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of the City of Richland Center, Richland
County, as a Water Public Utility, for Authority to Change
its Method of Collecting the Cost of Providing Public Fire
Protection Service

5071-WR-102

**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING
AND
INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS
AND
TELEPHONIC HEARING**

Telephonic Hearing Date:	Thursday, April 27, 2000 – 11:00 a.m.
Hearing Locations:	Lake Superior Room – 2nd Floor, Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, WI City Hall, 450 South Main Street, Richland Center, WI

THIS IS A PROCEEDING TO consider the application received February 18, 2000, of the City of Richland Center, Richland County, (applicant), as a water public utility, under Wis. Stat. §§ 196.03(1) and (3), 196.20(1), and 196.37(1), (2), and (3), for authority to change its method of collecting the cost of providing public fire protection service.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission will investigate this matter and hold a public hearing on Thursday, April 27, 2000, at 11:00 a.m. This will be a telephonic hearing conducted from two sites. The applicant will provide a room for customer participation in the City Hall, 450 South Main Street, Richland Center, Wisconsin. Customers may call the utility at (608) 647-3844 for further details on the location of the hearing room. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs. Commission staff will participate from the second location, the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, in the Lake Superior Room. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the Assistant General Counsel listed below.

The Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be

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incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

Persons who desire to actively participate as parties must request party status in writing. Party status requests should be addressed to Jeffry J. Patzke, Administrative Law Judge, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7854.

This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the Assistant General Counsel listed below.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to Assistant General Counsel Steve Levine at (608) 267-2890.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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